INTRODUCTION

GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

In developing Resource Management Systems (RMS) guidance documents, the effects of practices and combinations of practices and management have on the soil, water, air, plant and animal resources considering the social, economic and cultural constraints are to be used.

This section contains information concerning planning methods and examples of CMS's by land use. Using these methods or similar approaches, you will develop planning information for the farm, tract or field depending on its unique characteristics. Note the general soils group descriptions and concerns by land uses. It is the consideration for these concerns and others you may add which determine the problems for consideration, under the five resources and mold the planning efforts. These considerations may vary

from site to site and with land use, but may be fairly constant over a region thus allowing for advanced preparation of Guidance Documents.

Field Offices are encouraged to prepare Guidance Documents for typical land management operations and associated resource concerns in their service areas. These can be used as in training new employees to develop alternatives or to assist clients to select conservation practices to address a resource concern or plan an RMS.

Other documents will be added to offer planning assistance as technology increases and resource problems are being successfully treated.

Note: Only one RMS Guidance Document for each major land use is included as an example.